

I want to state in the strongest possible terms that allowing cell phone use in flight is a terrible idea. Apart from the fact that it would force passengers to listen to endless inane personal conversations from their seatmates, the FCC cannot ignore the possible security ramifications. Terrorists could communicate with each other via cell phone or PDA to coordinate hijackings.

Does the FCC and the FAA intend to give flight attendants yet one more responsibility towards their passengers in the cabin? Seems every time I fly those poor folks already have enough on their hands without having to deal with this issue. I can imagine a possible emergency evacuation or important midflight announcement not being given the attention it deserves because passengers are yakking on their phones.

In short, I can guarantee that if the FCC legislates this ludicrous idea into reality, it will give me and millions of Americans like me yet one more reason NOT to fly. I thought the government wanted to help the airline industry. This isn't a very intelligent nor passenger-friendly way to go about doing it.